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PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2624**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Takafumi NAKA

Group Art Unit: 2624

Application No.: 09/670,012

Examiner: J. Thompson

Filed: September 26, 2000

Docket No.: 107456

For: IMAGE READING DEVICE THAT ADJUSTS FOR WEAKENING OF SCANNER
ELEMENTS OVER TIME

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the February 22, 2005 Office Action, and April 21, 2005 personal interview, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.